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EUROPEAN BRIEF 119-75.4

J. PORTUGAL: PRIME MINISTER GONCALVES IS STILL IN THE CENTER OF THE POWER STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE MODERATES AND THE COMMUNISTS.4

EVENTS OF LAST WEEKEND AS A VICTORY. THE COMMUNISTS ISSUED
A STATEMENT CONGRATULATING PARTY MEMBERS FOR HAVING TURNED
BACK "REACTIONARY FORCES" BENT ON FORCING GONCALVES' RESIGNATION
AND ESTABLISHING A RIGHT-WING GOVERNMENT. THE COMMUNIST-DOMINATED
PROPAGANDA DIVISION OF THE GENERAL STAFF HAS PUBLISHED ITS SECOND SIMM
COMMUNIQUE IN AS MANY DAYS SUPPORTING THE PRIME MINISTER AND REBUKING THE SOCIALISTS-WITHOUT NAMING THEM-FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO
"ENCOURAGE VIOLENCE."Y

THE SOCIALISTS, ON THE OTHER, ARE EUPHORIC BECAUSE THEY
HELD SUCCESSFUL RALLIES DESPITE ATTEMPTS BY THE COMMUNISTS AND
THE MILITARY TO STOP THEM.

WITHIN THE COUNCIL. THE MODERATES ARE PLANNING TO MOVE
AGAINST GONCALVES WHEN HE PRESENTS HIS LIST OF CABINET MONINEES.

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PROBABLY LATER THIS WEEK. PRESIDENT COSTA GOMES, WHO IS THE KLY TO THE MODERATES' STRATEGY, WAS AGAIN RUMORED TO BE CONSIDERING A MOVE AGAINST GONCALVES AT MONDAY'S COUNCIL MEETING. THE PRESIDENT, HOWEVER, WILL NOT MAKE A FIRM COMMITMENT, AND HE IS NOT TRUSTED BY MANY MODERATES.

THE TRAVEL PLANS OF KEY REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL MEMBERS HAVE ALSO PROMPTED SPECULATION ABOUT THE TIMING OF AN ATTEMPT AGAINST GONCALVES. INTERNAL SECURITY FORCES COMMANDER OTELO DE CARVALHO LEFT ON MONDAY FOR A SCHEDULED TRIP TO CUBA. HIS DEPARTURE HAS FUELED RUMORS THAT HE MAY HAVE LEFT TO AVOID ANY CONNECTION WITH THE ATTEMPT AGAINST GONCALVES.4

//FOREIGN MINISTER ANTUNES TOLD HIS ITALIAH COUNTERPART IN
DISCUSSIONS LAST WEEK IN ROME THAT HE HAD TENTATIVELY DECIDED NOT
TO ATTEND THE MINISTERIAL MEETING—SCHEDULED FOR TWESDAY IN BRUSSELS—
TO DISCUSS EC AID FOR PORTUGAL. HIS REASONS FOR REMAINING IN
LISSON MAY BE TIED TO THE POWER STRUGGLE WITHIN THE REVOLUTIONARY
COUNCIL. HE MAY ALSO BE WAITING FOR A NEW GOVERNMENT TO BE FORMED
BEFORE DISCUSSING ASSISTANCE WITH THE EC.//Y

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PRESS REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT COSTA GOMES SUMMONED BOTH SOARES AND THE LEADER OF THE SOCIALIST FACTION IN THE CONSTITUTENT ASSEMBLY FOR CONSULTATIONS MAY INDICATE SOME BREAK IN THE SITUATION. (SECRET)4

READINESS TO HOLD A THIRD ROUND OF INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS IN VIENNA
ON THURSDAY, BUT THE PROSPECTS FOR PROGRESS ARE DIM. WHAT SLIM
CHANCES THERE ARE WILL HINGE ON THE NATURE OF THE TURKISH PROPOSALS
FOR A CYPRIOT CENTRAL GOVERNMENT THAT WERE PRESENTED ON MONDAY TO
THE UN SPECIAL ENVOY TO CYPRUS AND THE GREEK CYPRIOT REACTION TO

GREEK CYPRIOT NEGOTIATOR CLERIDES HAS ALREADY REJECTED TURKISH
CYPRIOT NEGOTIATOR DENKTASH'S PROPOSALS FOR A JOINT PROVISIONAL
GOVERNMENT THAT WERE MADE PUBLIC LAST SATURDAY. CLERIDES, WITH
THE BACKING OF BOTH ATHENS AND ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS, CLAIMED THAT
THE PROPOSALS WERE AIMED AT ABOLISHING THE GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS
AND THAT THEY PREJUDGED A FINAL SETTLEMENT BY THEIR ALLUSION TO A
BIREGIONAL FEDERATION AND EQUAL REPRESENTATION OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES
IN THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT.Y

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DENKTASH CLAIMED THAT HIS PROPOSALS, WHICH CALLED FOR CONTROL
BY THE PROVISIONAL CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, FINANCE,
COMMUNICATIONS, AND HEALTH, COULD BUILD MUTUAL CONFIDENCE AND
TRUST BETWEEN THE TWO COMMUNITIES.4

NOTHER SETBACK TO NEGOTIATIONS IS LIKELY TO OCCUR IF DENKTASH FOLLOWS THROUGH ON A THREAT HE MADE ON SUNDAY TO RESUME THE MASS EXPULSION OF GREEK CYPRIOTS FROM THE NORTH, SHOULD TURKISH CYPRIOTS IN THE SOUTH NOT BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE GREEK ZONE.

MAKARIOS IS NOT LIKELY TO YIELD TO DENKTASH'S DEMAND. THE EXPULSION OF GREEK CYPRIOTS STRENGTHENS MAKARIOS' ARGUMENT THAT THE CYPRUS PROBLEM SHOULD BE TRANSFERRED TO AN INTERNATIONAL FORUM IF THERE IS NO PROGRESS—WHICH HE DOES NOT EXPECT—IN THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS AT VIENNA. {CONFIDENTIAL}

PENDING REQUEST OF YELENA SAKHAROV, WIFE OF PROMINENT DISSIDENT PHYSICIST ANDREY SAKHAROV, TO GO TO ITALY FOR TREATMENT OF AN EYE CONDITION THAT IS THREATENING HER SIGHT. THE DECISION COULD BE DEDATE:

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SIGNED TO TAKE HER CASE, WHICH HAS BEEN WELL PUBLICIZED IN THE WEST, OUT OF THE HEADLINES BEFORE THE EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE SUMMIT CONVENES IN HELSINKI. Y

SAKHAROV, WHO IS THE CO-FOUNDER OF THE SOCALLED "DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT" AND AN ARTICULATE
SPOKESMAN FOR OTHER SOVIET DISSIDENTS AND POLITICAL
PRISONERS, TOLD WESTERN NEWSMEN IN MOSCOW THAT THE
REGIME'S DECISION CAME JUST ONE DAY AFTER SHE HAD
BEEN TOLD THAT THE REQUEST HAD BEEN TURNED DOWN
AGAIN. SAKHAROV'S WIFE FIRST APPLIED TO GO TO
ITALY LAST MARCH, AFTER REPEATED MEDICAL TREATMENT
IN THE USSR PROVED UNSUCCESSFUL. SAKHAROV AND HIS
WIFE HAVE REPEATEDLY PROTESTED THE REGIME'S REFUSALS THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF THE WESTERN PRESS.
THEY EVEN STAGED A THREE-DAY HUNGER STRIKE IN EARLY
MAY TO HIGHLIGHT THE CASE.Y

SAKHAROV'S PRESTIGE AT HOME AND ABROAD HAS

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HELPED TO SHIELD HIM FROM SERIOUS REPRISALS. BUT HE, HIS FAMILY, AND HIS COLLEAGUES HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO INCREASING HARASSMENT. HE HAS DENOUNCED PAST REFUSALS TO LET HIS WIFE RECEIVE TREATMENT ABROAD AS THE MOST REPREHENSIBLE FORM OF PRESSURE AGAINST HIM. 4

MRS. SAKHAROV EXPECTS TO LEAVE FOR A CLINIC IN SIENA, ITALY, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BECAUSE, ACCORDING TO SAKHAROV, HER SIGHT IS RAPIDLY DETERIORATING. THE ITALIAN PRESS RECENTLY REPORTED THAT SPECIALISTS AT SIENA ARE NOT FULLY CONFIDENT THAT HER CONDITION, DATING TO WORLD WAR II, CAN BE SUCCESSFULLY TREATED. SHE HAS REPORTEDLY ALSO RECEIVED OFFERS OF TREATMENT FROM INSTITUTIONS IN THE US, ISRAEL, FRANCE, AND SWITZERLAND.

4. YUGOSLAVIA: FOREIGN MINISTER MINIC TOLD THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY LAST FRIDAY THAT YUGOSLAVIA BUOULD SOON START A

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UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON DISARMAMENT.4

MINIC ROUNDLY CONDEMNED THE GREAT POWERS BOTH FOR EXPANDING THE ARMS RACE AND TRYING TO MONOPOLIZE NUCLEAR WEAPONS. HE SPECIFICALLY CRITICIZED THE RE-VIEW CONFERENCE ON THE NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY, HELD IN GENEVA IN MAY, WHICH, HE SAID, SHOWED THE NUCLEAR SUPER POWERS ARE UNPREPARED TO MEET THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE TREATY. HE ALSO INDI-CATED THAT THE NON-NUCLEAR STATES ARE ANGRY BECAUSE OF THE FAILURE OF THE GREAT POWERS "TO HONOR THE TERMS OF THE NPT." MINIC MADE NO DIRECT REFERENCE TO THE REGIME'S RECENT REVIEW OF YUGOSLAVIA'S COMMITMENT TO THE TREATY, BUT HIS EFFORT TO TAKE THE DISARMA-MENT ISSUE TO THE UN REFLECTS BELGRADE'S DISILLU-SIONMENT WITH THE RESULTS OF THE TREATY. Y

THE NEXT STAGE IN THE YUGOSLAV CAMPAIGN WILL BE TO CONTACT OTHER MEMBERS OF THE NONALIGNED WORLD

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PAST ASIA BRIEF 113-75-4

1. VIETNAM: OVERALL GROUTH IN THE MORTH VIETNAMESE ECONOMY

DURING 1773 AND 1974 WAS LESS THAN HANOI HAD HOPED, AND THE COMMUNIST

TAKEOVER OF SOUTH VIETNAM WILL COMPLICATE THE TASK OF ECONOMIC DE
VELOPMENT IN THE MORTH OVER THE MEXT FEW YEARS.Y

AFTER THE CEASE-FIRE IN JANUARY 1973, HANOI GAVE PRIORITY
TO RAPID RESTORATION OF BOMB-DAMAGED TRANSPORTATION ROUTES,
ELECTRIC POWER PLANTS, AND SMALL MODERN INDUSTRIES. ROADS,
BRIDGES, TRUCK DEPOTS, AND RAIL FACILITIES WERE REPAIRED

QUICKLY, OFTEN IN A MAKESHIFT WAY. RESTORATION OF THE THAC BA

HYDROELECTRIC POWER PLANT, THE WONG BI AND THAI NGWYEN THERMAL

POWER PLANTS, AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW THERMAL POWER PLANT

AT NINH BINH RESTORED THE COUNTRY.S POWER CAPACITY TO NEARLY

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PRODUCTION GAINED IN 1974, BUT ATTEMPTS TO RESTORE
OUTPUT TO PREWAR LEVELS IN IRON AND STEEL, CEMENT, CHANICAL
FERTILIZERS, AND COAL WERE ONLY PARTLY SUCCESSFUL. THE NEED
FOR EXTENSIVE DAMAGE SURVEYS, COMBINED WITH SHORTAGES OF
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OUTPUT FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIES AND HANDICRAFTS—WHICH:

EXCEPT FOR TEXTILE PLANTS, WERE RELATIVELY FREE OF DIRECT

DAMAGE—GREW MODERATELY WITH THE IMPROVEMENT IN TRANSPORTATION

FACILITIES, RAW MATERIAL SUPPLIES, AND AVAILABILITY OF ELECTRIC

POWER. REPAIRS TO DAMAGED TEXTILE PLANTS, INCLUDING THOSE

AT NAM DINH AND HAIPHONG, AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ONES

PROBABLY RESTORED MOST OF THE COUNTRY'S TEXTILE PRODUCTION

PROBLEMS IN AGRICULTURE HAVE ESPECIALLY RETARDED ECONOMIC GROWTH. AGRICULTURE STILL DOMINATES THE ECONOMY. ACCOUNTING FOR BETWEEN 35 AND 4D PERCENT OF NATIONAL OUTPUT AND EMPLOYING 7D PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE. SINCE THE WAR. AGRICULTURE LAGGED BECAUSE OF LACK OF INVESTMENT AND MUDDLED POLICIES.4

NORTH VIETNAM'S RICE YIELDS ARE STILL AMONG THE LOWEST IN ASIA BECAUSE OF INSUFFICIENT IRRIGATION, MATER-CONTROL DATE:
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HANDI HAS LEANED HEAVILY ON ITS COMMUNIST ALLIES FOR
COMMODITY AND CAPITAL ASSISTANCE. AID JUMPED FROM \$425 MILLION
IN 1972 TO ABOUT \$600 MILLION IN 1973 AND THEN TO \$1.2
BILLION IN 1974.4

FAVORABLE AND OUTPUT WAS UP 10 PERCENT.Y

LAST DECEMBER, HANOI SET AN AMBITIOUS TARGET FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH IN 1975. THE PLANNERS DID NOT ANTICIPATE THE MILITARY TAKEOVER OF THE SOUTH IN APRIL, HOWEVER/ THIS HAS DIVERTED HANOI'S ATTENTION TO IMPROVING SECURITY, ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT, AND REVIVING THE ECONOMY IN THE SOUTH. ALTHOUGH SUBSTANTIAL INDUSTRIAL GROWTH CAN BE EXPECTED IN THE NORTH AS RESTORATION AND EXPANSION OF LARGE PLANTS ARE COMPLETED, MOST OF HANOI'S TARGETS FOR 1975 APPEAR BEYOND REACH.

DEYOND THE NEXT YEAR OR SON GROWTH PROSPECTS ARE LIKELY
TO GET WORSE BEFORE THEY GET BETTERN DESPITE A LARGE LABOR

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ARGENTINA: LABOR LEADERS IN ARGENTINA ON JULY 23 CONFRONTED THE EMBATTLED PRESIDENT PERON WITH TOUGH ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL DEMANDS-Y

THE LEADERS DETAINDED NEW PRICE CONTROLS AND PERIODIC WAGE
ADJUSTILATS TO COMPENSATE FOR ARGENTINA'S RUNAWAY INFLATION. THEY
ALSO CA-LED FOR NATIONALIZATION OF FOREIGN TRADE AND THE BANKING
SYSTEM TO HALT THE FLIGHT OF CURRENCY ABROAD. THE LABOR POSITION
REPORTEDLY HAD BEEN COORDINATED WITH THE ARRED FORCES AND THE
PERONIST POLITICAL ORGANIZATION.Y

THE LABOR LEADERS ALSO ASKED FOR A SWEEPING REORGANIZATION OF THE PERONIST HOVEMENT TO GET RID OF THE REHAINING FOLLOWERS OF FORMER PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER LOPEZ REGA. Y

ON JULY 23 THE RESIGNATIONS OF THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND THE PRESIDENT'S PRESS SECRETARY. BOTH CLOSE TO LOPEZ REGA. WERE ACCEPTED. THE RESIGNATIONS FOLLOWED THE DISHISSAL OVER THE WEEKEND OF ECONOMY MINISTER RODRIGO.

THE NEETING WITH LABOR BEADERS HAD TO BE CUT SHORT BECAUSE OF WHAT A LABOR PARTICIPANT DESCRIBED AS MRS. PERON'S "FATIGUE AND

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NERVOUSNESS." A DOCUMENT CONTAINING THE LABOR DEHANDS WAS LEFT WITH THE PRESIDENT.Y

PROPOSALS WILL BE FULLY ACCEPTED. NEGOTIATIONS WILL PROBABLY EXTEND OVER SEVERAL DAYS. BOTH LABOR AND POLITICAL SOURCES HAVE TOLD THE US EMBASSY THAT MRS. PERON WILL BE FORCED TO JOIN LOPEZ REGA IN EXILE IF SHE REFUSES TO MEET THEIR DEMANDS.4

IN ANY EVENT. MOST OBSERVERS CONCEDE THAT THE ARMED FORCES WILL PROBABLY PARTICIPATE MORE DIRECTLY IN A RESTRUCTURED GOVERNMENT AND THAT MRS. PERON. IF SHE RENAINS. WILL BE RELEGATED TO A FIGUREHEAD POSITION. ECONFIDENTIALL E-2 IMPDET.A

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2. USSR-EGYPT: EGYPTIAN FINANCE MINISTER AHMAD ABU ISMAIL WILL LEAVE FOR MOSCOW TODAY TO DISCUSS EGYPT'S DEBT PROBLEMS WITH THE USSR.4

SINCE LAST YEAR, PRESIDENT SADAT HAS BEEN URGING MOSCOW TO POSTPONE PAYMENTS DUE IN 1975 ON CAIRO'S MILITARY DEBT OF AT LEAST \$1.5 BILLION. THE SOVIETS HAVE RESISTED, IN PART BECAUSE THE DEBT CONSTITUTES ONE OF THEIR REMAINING WAYS TO PUT POLITICAL PRESSURE ON SADAT, BUT THIS SPRING THEY DID INVITE THE EGRYPTIANS TO SEND A DELEGATION TO MOSCOW FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS. CAIRO APPARENTLY WAS NOT READY TO ACCEPT UNLESS THE SOVIETS GAVE ASSURANCES THAT THEY WOULD BE CONCILIATORY.

THE EGYPTIANS SAY THAT LAST WEEK THE SOVIETS RENEWED THEIR INVITATION. IF SO, IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT THE SOVIETS GAVE SIGNS OF NEW FLEXIBILITY ON THE DEBT QUESTION. THE SOVIETS MAY HAVE DECIDED TO ACT NOW, BEFORE EGYPTIAN NEGOTIATIONS ON WESTERN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ARE COMPLETED, AND THUS PUT SADAT IN A BETTER POSITION TO THUMB HIS MOSE AT MOSCIMON.Y

THEY MAY ALSO HOPE TO HEAD MIDOFF FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON

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THERE IS A REMOTE POSSIBILITY THAT THE EGYPTIANS SOUGHT
THE MEW INVITATION FROM MOSCOW. ANY HELP ON THE ECONOMIC FRONT
WOULD BE USEFUL FOR EGYPT, AND SADAT WILL WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY
TO DEMONSTRATE THAT HE STILL HAS THE OPTION OF IMPROVING RELATIONS
WITH MOSCOW. COMFIDENTIALLY

B. IRAN: IRAN HAS AGREED, AT THE REQUEST OF UN SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM, TO PROVIDE A UNIT TO TAKE THE PLACE OF THE DEPARTING PERUVIAN CONTINGENT IN THE UN DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE ON THE GOLMAN FRONT.Y

TEHRAN'S ACCEPTANCE IS INDICATIVE OF THE SHAH'S INTENTION
TO PLAY A MORE INFLUENTIAL ROLE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. IT ALSO
REFLECTS HIS DESIRE TO STRINENGTHEN MODERATE FORCES AND PROMOTE
A REDUCTION OF TENSIONS IN THE REGION. TEHRAN IS NOW MAITING FOR

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FOR MANY YEARS THE SHAH TENDED TO REGARD THE ARAB-ISRAELI
CONFLICT AS SERVING IRANIAN INTERESTS. IT OCCUPIED THE ARABS
AND GAVE IRAN A FREER HAND TO PURSUE ITS INTERESTS IN THE PERSIAN
GULF. MORE RECENTLY, HOWEVER, HE HAS COME TO REGARD A SETTLEMENT
AS DESIRABLE. HIS CHANGE OF ATTITUDE HAS BEEN INFLUENCED BY THE
DEVELOPMENT OF RADICAL PHALESTINIAN ORGANIZATIONS, THE
STRENGTHENING OF ARAB UNITY, AND INCREASED SOVIET PENETRATION
OF THE REGION--ALL, IN THE EYES OF THE SHAH, DETRIMENTAL TO
LONG-RANGE IRANIAN GOALS.4

THE SHAH PROBABLY ALSO CALCULATES THAT THE INCRETASING INVOLVEMENT OF SAUDI ARABIA AND OTHER GULF STATES IN THE ARAB-ISRAELI DISPUTE IS LINELY TO ADD TO PRESSURES ON IRAN TO REDUCE OR CUT ITS TIES TO ISRAEL IF A NEW WAR OCCURS.

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